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HARDING TO HELP PARTY CANDIDATES

Won't Make Stump Talks but Will Write 'Stump Letters'.

BY DAVID LAWRENCE.
(Copyright, 1922, by The Argus.)
Washington, D. C., March 29.—President Harding will not make any speeches in the congressional elections but will write "stump letters"—or rather letters that will be used on the stump.

The announcement that the president planned to keep out of the fall campaign must not be taken too literally in the opinion of members of congress, many of whom were stirred up today by reports that they were to be abandoned by the leader of their party to shift for themselves.

What Mr. Harding told some of his friends was that he didn't think the chief executive should go out on the stump for congress. He is mindful of course of the unfortunate interpretation which was placed upon President Wilson's appeal for a Democratic congress in November, 1918, when the war was drawing to a close, and he doesn't intend to issue any such pronouncement.

G. O. P. Men Approve.
Members of congress said how glad they were to hear of the writing of a letter by President Harding to some one like Simeon D. Fess, chairman of the Republican congressional committee, reciting his admiration of the achievements of congress and congratulating congress upon what it will have done by the time the campaign opens.

Such a letter, it is pointed out, could be used on the stump to good advantage. Individual representatives and senators also are expected to write letters. Mr. Harding addressed to them or to some prominent constituent answering the usual inquiries as to the president's appraisal of an individual's work in congress. It is difficult for a president to avoid answering such a letter with the statement that Mr. So and so has been a staunch supporter of the Republican administration and as the nominee of his party is entitled to party support.

To Do "Usual Thing."

All recent presidents—Wilson, Taft and Roosevelt—have written such letters of endorsement and there are indications from the White house that the practice will be discontinued. The usual thing will be done—that is the way high administration officials explain Mr. Harding's attitude. The only significance to be attached thus far to the White house announcement of policy is that a formal appeal to the country to elect a Republican congress will be omitted and there will be no stump speaking by the chief executive. Nor will there be any intervention in the congressional primaries. Mr. Wilson threw his support to Democratic candidates in the primaries in Georgia and Mississippi and Alabama just before the 1918 campaign and made an open fight against men who had opposed his policies. Mr. Harding seems to think that was a mistake and will not even oppose some of the Republican senators who have fought him at every turn in this congress.

"Dignified Alertness."

The president, it is of course, deeply concerned in the outcome of the congressional election. To lose congress in the middle of his term, or to even lose control of one house, will be looked upon as a reflection on the party. He is anxious for 1924. That has been the political experience of the past. Mr. Taft lost the house in 1910 and found himself powerless in the last two years of his administration just as did Mr. Wilson after he had lost both houses in 1918.

The extent of Mr. Harding's participation in the fall campaign by letter writing and public statements will depend upon circumstances, but it is authoritatively stated that his decision to keep off the stump must not be misconstrued as a forerunner of passive silence. His course, it is suggested instead, would be one of dignified alertness.

NEAT TRICK WITH MAN'S \$25 LANDS ROSE ELLI IN JAIL

Chicago, March 29.—Rose Elli, who tells fortunes, showed Henry Youngnickel how she could blow on \$25 and make it disappear. Then she ran. Police Lieutenant Charles Weiling caught Miss Elli and showed Youngnickel how to make the money reappear. The money was located in Miss Elli's stocking and she is now charged with larceny.

SMALL WHACKS HIS ENEMIES IN CANTON SPEECH

Tells of Fight to 'Stop Raiding of State Treasury'.

Canton, Ill., March 27.—Governor Len Small took another whack at "profiteers" at a road meeting here this afternoon and gave his unqualified endorsement to the candidacy of Senator William S. Jewell of Canton, president pro tem of the senate, who is running for reelection.

Preceding his address, the highway division held a road hearing on the routing of the hard road which is to be constructed from Canton to Peoria. Because of the extreme interest the building of roads has aroused in this section, the meeting place was overpacked when the governor arrived. He had driven by automobile from Springfield.

Reiterating his previous assertion "that it is a hard job to pass legislation in the interest of the people," the governor asked the support of the voters for those candidates who have announced they will support him.

"I'm Working for You."
"I am working for you," he said, "and I insist that in doing so I am entitled to the support of your representatives and senators whether they are Republicans or Democrats."

"When I promised the people that I would serve their interests, little did I realize what it meant for a public official to stand up and fight for the people's interests against these great financial and political combinations which have been, of late, in the habit of controlling not only political parties but government itself."

"I realize what it would cost a governor of a great state like Illinois to take a stand against the Chicago traction barons and the profiteering trusts in an effort to stop the raiding of the state treasury and the robbing of the taxpayer."

"I promise you again today, as I promised the people before my election that so long as I am your governor, I shall serve you honestly and faithfully, regardless of persecution, indictments, and shall serve you with every particle of strength and ability that I possess."

WITNESS FOR FATTY IS GONE

Hotel Maid Who Wiped Door Where Finger Prints Were Said to Be, Disappears.

San Francisco, Calif., March 29.—Kate Brennan, one of the principal defense witnesses in the third manslaughter trial of Roscoe C. (Fatty) Arbuckle, has disappeared, according to affidavits presented in court today by the defense.

She was a hotel maid who testified in previous trials that shortly after the party in Arbuckle's suite, where Miss Virginia Rappe was seized with the illness that was followed by her death four days later, she wiped off the door on which, according to the prosecution testimony, there were finger prints of Arbuckle and Miss Rappe.

FIRE DESTROYS BEAUPRE SHRINE

Quebec, March 29.—Fire today destroyed the basilica of Ste. Anne de Beaupre, famous for the shrine, but the statue of Ste. Anne and the historical relics to which miraculous cures have been ascribed, were saved.

THE WEATHER

Cloudy and unsettled weather to-night and Thursday, with probably light rain tonight. Not much change in temperature.
Highest temperature yesterday, 48; lowest last night, 35.
Precipitation last 24 hours, .19 inch.

12 m. 7 p.m. 7 a.m.
yesterday, yesterday, today
Dry bulb temp. 42 42 36
Wet bulb temp. 39 38 32
Relative humid. 76 71 76
River stage at 7 a. m., 7.8, a rise of .1 last 24 hours.
Sunset today, 6.25 p. m.; sunrise tomorrow, 5.49 a. m.
River forecast.—The Mississippi river from below Dubuque to Muscatine will change but little during the next few days.

ANDREW HAMRICK,
Meteorologist.
River Stages.
St. Paul 9.6 1.1
Dubuque 8.6 0.9
Davenport 7.8 0.1
Keokuk 8.5 0.2

JURY FINDS RICKARD IS NOT GUILTY

Hundreds in Court and on Street Cheer News of Verdict.

New York, March 29.—George L. ("Tex") Rickard, sports promoter, acquitted of charges of assault and abduction in supreme court here early today, probably will not be called on to answer to three similar indictments that have been found against him by the grand jury. This was indicated by Assistant District Attorney Ferdinand Pecora, who conducted the trial of Rickard on accusations made by Sarah Schoenfeld, aged 15.

Seldom has there been such a demonstration in the court house as that when the jury brought in its verdict freeing Rickard. Hundreds had lingered about the big building, thinking the jury would not deliberate long before reaching an agreement. When the first syllable of the verdict fell from the lips of the jury's foreman, the word was shouted through the corridors and passed along to the throng waiting in the street outside.

Rickard was almost overwhelmed by his friends but made his way through the crowd to a telephone where he called his apartment and informed Mrs. Rickard of his acquittal.

"Ruined Man," Says Attorney.
New York, March 29.—Mr. D. Steuer, chief of counsel for George L. ("Tex") Rickard, noted fight promoter, on trial charged with abduction and attack upon 15-year-old Sarah Schoenfeld, branded his client a ruined man yesterday afternoon. Steuer's assertion came in the course of his summing up speech.

"Has ever a man been more ruined than Rickard is today?" demanded Steuer, facing the jury. "What difference does it make to a man if he is convicted or acquitted? That is the smallest of the penalties in a case of this kind."

"What difference does it make after the dagger has been inserted and turned around, if it is withdrawn?"

Then, turning again to the jury Steuer said:

"Here you look upon a man who never in his life cheated. He did not know how to cheat."

The attorney attacked the stories of the two complaining witnesses, Sarah Schoenfeld and a 12-year-old Nellie Gasko, Sarah's chum.

MAJOR BULL IS NAMED BY BELL

Veteran Field Artillery Officer Will Command Unit of 86th (Blackhawk) Division.
Chicago, March 29.—Major Richard S. Bull, a veteran field artillery officer of the World war, has been named commanding officer of the 49th artillery (155 mm howitzer) a unit of the 86th (Blackhawk) division, the Illinois reserve corps organization, by Major General George Bell, Jr., commanding the Sixth army corps.

A skeleton personnel of officers, including two majors, three captains and 19 lieutenants, was announced today. All are reserve officers who saw artillery service during the World war and have been commissioned to officer the 49th in case the division, which trained at Camp Grant, Ill., is again called into service.

Major Bell began his military career in the Illinois national guard in 1916, attended the first officers' training camp at Fort Sheridan in 1917, and was commissioned a first lieutenant. He received two successive promotions.

TAKE CONVICT AS MURDERER

Otto Cole, Who Killed Harry Hahn in Omaha, Escaped From Jail Two Years Ago.

Omaha, Neb., March 29.—Otto Cole, whose address was given as Burlington, Iowa, who admitted yesterday, police say, that he shot and killed Harry Hahn in the latter's pawnshop, confessed, according to Charles Van Deusen, Omaha detective chief, that he escaped from the Illinois state penitentiary at Joliet two years ago. At the time he is said to have been using the names of Edward English and Richard Proctor.

Cole claimed he shot Hahn following an argument over a loan on a watch. A theory of the police, however, who blows rings through his fingers, is that he was in the pawnshop to hold up the pawn broker. An inquest is being held today.

'Will She Tell?' Is Society's Query as Famous Female Cop Of Washington Goes on Trial

BY BURTON LEE.
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Washington, March 29.—All of Washington society is on tip toe eagerly awaiting the outcome of a police trial. Official Washington is not less interested. For the police officer called to the bar is none other than Mrs. Mina C. Van Winkle, who is said to know more of what has gone on behind the drawn shades of Washington life during the last four years than any one in Washington life would care to have disclosed.

Mrs. Van Winkle has asserted that during every month of her long service as head of the woman's bureau of the local police department there has been a determined effort to "get her." So now she is up on charges of "conduct prejudicial to the good order, reputation and discipline of the police force." She is facing a fight for her official life and the majority of the court which is to try her is made up of old time "flatfoots" who always have resented the female invasion of the police ranks.

Woman of Wealth.
But what society is interested in is "Will Mrs. Van Winkle tell?" There is no doubt that she knows. She has made it a part of her official business to inquire. Mrs. Van Winkle is no ordinary "cop." She is a woman of wealth and intellectual attainments.

She has lived at the Waldorf Astor hotel, one of the members of President Harding's cabinet live, and which also is the home of half a hundred diplomats and several hundred government officials—government officials who are here not for their meager salaries but for the connections which are given by their connection with the reigning party.

Mr. Van Winkle lunches and dines at the Willard and the Shoreham, the downtown hotels where the social and official life of Washington centers. A handsome woman, swathed in the finest furs, Mrs. Van Winkle is officially known—looks to be a part of the social circles in which she could move if she so desired. Instead, the work of the police department "intrigues" her and she has entered into it with a zest which has not altogether been relished by some who have come in contact with it.

Has "Flapper Cops."
Mrs. Van Winkle has surrounded herself in the woman's bureau with policemen no less attractive than herself. In Washington policemen would generally be classed as flappers. Many times and oft they have drawn the flirtatious fire of youth, only to lead the youths, crestfallen and disillusioned to the "hoosegow." These flapper cops go to the movies, and if the young man next to them tries a little "snuggle pugging" off he goes to the calaboose. These flapper cops hesitate for a moment on street corners if it is a bump in a machine comes by and asks them to go for a ride, they always accept. Then they flash the old police badge and the intended "joy ride" ends up in a funeral drive to the nearest station house.

The flapper cops have patronized the Washington dance halls to a fare-you-well. They have danced with strange young men and no dancers on the floor have entered into fox trot, toddle or camel walk with more verve and abandon than the copettes. Naturally some of the young men have suggested supper after the dance, with perhaps a little drink or two at a "friend's flat." The flapper cops have "just loved" to go to flat parties. The denouement always has been the same—a pinch. Washington's young men

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DEATH HOVERS OVER FAMOUS BLAZEK TWINS

Surgeon's Knife May Save One If Other Dies.

Chicago, March 29.—Death still lurked in the shadows of the hospital room where lie Joseph and Rosa Blazek, the famous twins, who were joined at birth and have been called the "Siamese twins." They continued in virtually an unconscious state, Joseph entirely oblivious of his surroundings and Rosa in a comatose condition.

The long talk of operation to separate them is contingent on the death of one, which, physicians have said, would mean the death of the other. Should Joseph die of the yellow jaundice which has stricken both, Rosa might possibly live two or three days, but death would be certain without an operation, Dr. Benjamin Breakstone said. The success of an operation, the physicians have said, would depend on whether the sisters each constituted a separate physical and psychological entity. The mere separation of flesh and bone would be easy, according to the physicians, but the effect of the operation on the mental and nervous systems have been considered highly problematical.

Pulses Now Different.
Each of the sisters has individual heart, lungs and stomach. Joseph, who was stricken first, is most desperately ill. The disease communicated to Rosa. Until last night the temperature and pulse of the twins had been virtually identical. But last night Joseph's temperature mounted to 99 and her pulse to 100, while Rosa's temperature and pulse remained about normal at 98 and 85 respectively.

An attorney has been at the twins' bedside ready to write their wills should they become comatose. Rosa's 12-year-old son, Frank, and the mother's brother, Frank, remain constantly at the bedside.

Anti-Cigaret League Cares Not If Women 'Smoke Selves To Death'; Would Save Boys

BY MARGARET DALE.
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(Copyright, 1922, by The Argus.)
Chicago, March 29.—Women may smoke themselves to death as far as the anti-cigaret league is concerned. It is interested only in keeping boys from smoking.

In these words Frank M. Fairfield, president of the board of directors of the International Anti-Cigaret League, disclaimed responsibility for initiating agitation, either in New York or elsewhere, against women smoking in public places.

"What the adult does is none of our concern," he added. "The flapper who blows rings through her fingers and ebony cigaret holder; the mother who rocks the cradle with one hand and flicks the ashes from her cigaret with the other, they

are beyond our jurisdiction. We deplore their actions, but we cannot legislate morals to them. But for the boys still at the impressionable age we feel there is hope and we direct our efforts to save them from the downward course chosen by their mothers and elder sisters."

Lyle Plans Ordinance.
However the erroneous report that Gotham had permanently clapped the lid down on women smoking in public has stirred agitation against such practices that already had a good start here. Many of the best hotels and restaurants in the city forbid public smoking by women. Others merely

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MINERS OF STATE WILL JOIN STRIKE

No Separate Agreement, Farrington Tells Operators.

Chicago, March 29.—Illinois miners will join the nationwide coal strike set for April 1, and no hope of a postponement or of initiation of a separate state wage agreement could be found, Frank Farrington, president of the Illinois miners, told heads of the state operators' association in conference here today. Only an emergency could change the situation which now prevents him from negotiating a new wage contract, Mr. Farrington told the operators, it was learned.

The operators met the miners' head at his suggestion in compliance with the existing contract, which expires on Friday night, the failure to renew it having resulted in the break throughout the central competitive field.

No New Contract.
"I am not in a position to negotiate a new contract," Mr. Farrington told the operators, he said after the meeting which lasted less than two hours. "The policy committee of the international union has decided against separate state agreements. Some time in the future, perhaps, an emergency might arise which would change the situation."

The operators asked President Farrington to explain what he meant by an "emergency." He replied that he could not say at this time what emergency might arise.

The result of the meeting was considered by the operators to have been nearly negligible and they merely reiterated previous statements that the strike would be closed down simultaneously with the suspension of work and that no effort, as far as known now, would be made to operate.

New York, March 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—Casting aside as a "remote possibility" the prospect of settling their differences in time to avert the general strike set for three days hence, members of the anthracite sub-committee on wage contract negotiations today gathered in a rooming house in New York to discuss the situation.

Lewis Leaves Home.
Springfield, Ill., March 29.—Three days' rest at his home here, today sent International President John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers of America, back to his headquarters in Indianapolis, prepared to direct what many miners say will be the union's life struggle.

Mr. Lewis left without any comment upon the situation except that plans have been carefully laid, union miners are standing ready and many non-unionists will be with them in the strike called for April 1.

Approximately 600,000 union miners will quit work, leaving a few guard against serious damage, such as might result from the falling of props. This aid by the miners is pledged in the international agreement. The number of the propmen and engineers in each mine will range from one to eight or more, who will work right through the strike.

BIG VOLCANO IN ERUPTION

Village Inhabitants Near Mount Etna Flee Homes as Lava Pours Down.

London, March 29.—Mount Etna is in violent eruption, says a Central News dispatch from Rome. Streams of lava are flowing from all sides of the crater and the inhabitants of the villages on the mountainside have fled from their homes. Several earthquakes have occurred in Palermo and Messina provinces in the last few days.

IOWAN IS GIVEN LIFE SENTENCE

Osceola, Iowa, March 29.—George Weisgerber, today was sentenced to life imprisonment at hard labor by Judge Homer R. Fuller, in district court here on his plea of guilty of first degree murder in connection with the death near Murray, Iowa, of Charles W. Jones, on Oct. 19, 1921.

EXPECT SENATE TO O. K. NAVAL TREATY TODAY

Unanimous Vote for Ratification Predicted.

Washington, March 29.—The arms conference naval treaty limiting the navies of all the great sea powers was ratified today by the senate.

The senate's approval of the pact was voted without reservations or amendments and with Republican and Democrat "regulars" and "irreconcilables" generally standing together in its support.

The ratification vote was 74 to 1, Senator France, Republican, of Maryland, casting the only negative vote, was made by the 74 affirmative, 48 were Republicans and 26 Democrats.

Washington, March 29.—Prediction that the senate would ratify the naval limitation treaty today by a unanimous vote, and finally by administration leaders in view of the complete absence of opposition to the treaty when brought up yesterday for debate. The favorable sentiment revealed during the five hours of discussion yesterday resulted in an agreement for a final vote on ratification today at 3 p. m.

Administration leaders also were hopeful that the submarine and poison gas treaty would be approved without an opposing vote before adjournment tonight.

No Opposition Voiced.
Although there were numerous expressions of disappointment on the Democratic side yesterday that that limitation treaty did not go further in the direction of both land and sea disarmament, not a single voice was raised in opposition to the pact.

Claims by the Democrats for a share of the credit for the reductions actually accomplished were based on the argument that the whole idea of an armament conference originated with the Democratic congress of 1919, and finally was forced on a reluctant Republican administration.

PROPOSAL VOICED AT ARMY MEET

Would Overturn All Governments Opposed to Republic.

London, March 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—At the conclusion of this afternoon's session of the conference on the situation in Ireland, Arthur Griffith, president of the Dail Eireann, informed the newspaper correspondents that the southern delegates would meet Sir James Craig, premier of Ulster, and his colleagues at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Dublin, Ireland, March 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—The convention on Sunday of revolting members of the Irish Republican army debated the question of declaring a military dictatorship, but deferred action thereon, the correspondent here of the London Star says in dispatch to his paper. He gives as his authority a statement issued from the Beggar's Bush barracks this morning, which says the proposal before the convention was to overthrow all governments in Ireland opposed to a republic.

According to the correspondent the report of the convention is vouched for by the regular general headquarters of the Irish republican army in a statement which says the following resolution was offered by Thomas Barry and Frank Barrett:

Resolution Offered.
"Resolved: that matters of immediate concern for the executive will include:

"First, maintaining Ireland as an independent republic;

"Second, appointment of a chief of staff who will appoint a general headquarters staff. Appointment can be vetoed by the executive;

"Third, declaration of dictatorship. For this purpose the executive shall be empowered to secure the services of others, who need not be members of the executive, with a view to ordering the dissolution of all pretended governments in Ireland; the prohibition of parliamentary elections until such time as an election without the threat of war by Great Britain can be held on adult suffrage."

The statement proceeds:

"The dictators would overthrow the four governments in Ireland opposed to the republic, namely, the Dail Eireann, provisional, British and Northern governments."

Dail Suspends Campaign.
Dublin, Ireland, March 29.—(By the Associated Press.)—Republican members of the Dail Eireann, at a meeting here yesterday adopted a resolution proposing immediate suspension of the political campaign in southern Ireland, in order that the factions may unite to oppose the declaration of the murder of Catholics in Belfast."

The resolution declared that the division in the Dail and in the country was caused solely by the proposal to accept the Anglo-Irish treaty, and asked that the Dail

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FORD IS SUED BY INVENTOR

Miami Electrical Engineer Asks Damage of \$11,000,000 From Famous Auto Maker.

Miami, Fla., March 29.—Damage in the sum of \$11,000,000 are sought of Henry Ford by Edward S. Huff, Miami electrical engineer, in a suit initiated here today. Huff claims he originated the magneto now in use on motor cars manufactured by Ford, and claims that Ford has not paid him in full for the invention.

WOMAN WOULD PUT MEN IN CORSETS; O TEMPORA O GEE!

Philadelphia, Pa., March 29.—Men should wear corsets as well as women, in the opinion of Amelia Bingham, expressed in an address before the New Century club here.

"Trimness is desirable in men as well as in women," she said. "All women should wear slouchiness by wearing corsets. Why shouldn't men wear flexible ones for the same reason?"

She opposed censorship for plays and films, saying that if "they were not thus hampered," they would develop into one of the greatest educational forces in America.

HOUSE PASSES ARMY MEASURE

Washington, March 29.—Without a roll call the house today passed the army appropriation bill carrying approximately \$288,000,000 to meet military and non-military expenses of the war department during the coming fiscal year.

TRY TO CHOOSE JURY FOR BURCH

Second Venire Is Called In Continued Effort to Pick Necessary Twelve.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 29.—A new venire was summoned today when the drawing of a jury was resumed for the trial of Arthur C. Burch, charged with the killing of J. Belton Kennedy. The first venire was exhausted yesterday when 17 of its 30 members declared they had scruples against capital punishment and one announced a fixed opinion concerning the case.

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